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SUBJ: ENERGY: UAE EXPORTS DOWN 29 PERCENT IN DECEMBER, BUT  
UP 25 PERCENT FOR YEAR

SUMMARY: COMBINED UAE OIL EXPORTS FOR DEC AVERAGED 1,205,446

BPD, ABOUT

29 PERCENT OVER SEPT AVERAGE AS RESULT BOTH ARAB

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EMBARGO POLICY AND COSTLY WELL FIRE IN OFFSHORE DUBAI FIELD.

FOR ENTIRE YEAR UAE'S TWO PRODUCING STATES, ABU DHABI AND DUBAI, EXPORTED 1.5 MILL BPD OF CRUDE, INCREASE OF 25 PERCENT OVER 1972 COMBINED FIGURES. MAJOR OPERATING COMPANIES IN ABU DHABI AUTHORIZED BY GOVT TO EXPORT IN JAN AT RATE OF 85 PERCENT OF SEPT BASE, WHICH AMOUNTS TO ABOUT 1.18 MILL BPD. IT IS EXPECTED THAT EXPORTS OF DUBAI PET CO. WILL EXCEED 200,000 BPD FOR CURRENT MONTH AS COMPANY SLOWLY RECOVERS FROM EFFECTS OF FIRE.

1. CRUDE OIL EXPORTS FROM ABU DHABI FOR MONTH OF DEC AVERAGED 1,064,359 BPD, DOWN 24 PERCENT FROM SEPT BASE DUE ARAB OIL EMBARGO POLICY. ALTHOUGH THE CUTBACK LEVEL REPORTEDLY PROGRAMMED FOR ABOUT 22 PERCENT, FURTHER TWO PERCENT REDUCTION MAY HAVE BEEN ATTRIBUTABLE TO DELAY IN OWNER COMPANY NOMINATIONS OR TANKER ARRIVALS. REDUCTION IN CRUDE SHIPMENTS FOR UAE AS WHOLE AMOUNTED TO ABOUT 29 PERCENT, WHEN SHORT-FALL IN DUBAI PRODUCTION AS RESULT RECENT FIRE INCLUDED. FOR YEAR AS WHOLE, ABU DHABI EXPORTED 470,660,001 BARRELS OF CRUDE FOR DAILY AVERAGE OF 1,296,267 BPD COMPARED WITH 1,054,500 BPD IN 1972, A 23 PERCENT INCREASE.

2. INDIVIDUAL ABU DHABI COMPANY STATISTICS IN BPD AS FOLLOWS:

ABU DHABI PETROLEUM CO. (ADPC)

DEC 1973 - 647,320  
NOV 1973 - 627,300  
SEP 1973 - 855,000  
FINAL 1973 - 782,096  
1972 - 609,000

ABU DHABI MARINE AREAS (ADMA)

DEC 1973 - 409,419  
NOV 1973 - 409,200  
SEP 1973 - 542,900  
FINAL 1973 - 50,383  
1972 - 445,500

ABU DHABI OIL CO. (ADOC)

DEC 1973 - 7,620  
NOV 1973 - 10,713  
SEP 1973 - 10,502  
FINAL 1973 - 6,788

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1972 - NONE

3. ADPC AND ADMA HAVE ADVISED EMB THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS FROM GOVT AUTHORIZING EXPORTS FOR JAN AT RATE OF 85 PERCENT OF SEPT BASE FIGURE IN ACCORDANCE WITH MOST RECENT OAPC DE ISION. THIS BREAKS DOWN AS 726,750 BPD FOR ADPC AND 461,465 FOR ADMA, FOR EXPECTED JAN AVERAGE OF 1,188,215 BPD. ADOC'S PRODUCTION IS STILL SO SMALL AND ERRATIC DUE TO TECHNICAL

PROBLEMS THAT THE ABU DHABI GOVT HAS LARGELY EXEMPTED JAPANESE COMPANY FROM IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL EMBARGO POLICY.

4. IN ADDITION TO AUTHORIZED FIFTEEN PERCENT CUTBACK, ADPC'S PRODUCTION CURTAILED BY A FURTHER 400/450,000 BPD INCREMENT, WHICH REPRESENTS PROGRAMMED PRODUCTION FROM ASAB FIELD SCHEDULED TO GO ON STREAM JAN 1, 1974. COMPANY NOT PERMITTED BY OAPEC DECISIONS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF NEW PRODUCTION UNTIL ALL QUANTATIVE RESTRICTIONS REMOVED.

5. DUBAI PETROLEUM CO. (DUPETCO) REPORTS THAT ITS DEC PRODUCTION AVERAGED 141,087 BPD ROUGHLY 40 PERCENT OF THE PRE-FIRE LEVEL. FOR ENTIRE YEAR, DPC PRODUCED AT RATE 219,746 BPD COMPARED WITH 152,800 IN 1972. IT IS EXPECTED DPC'S PRODUCTION/EXPORTS FOR JANUARY WILL INCREASE TO ABOUT 200,000 BPD LEVEL AS IT RETURNS SLOWLY TO PRE-FIRE RATE OF 300,000 BPD. WE ARE INFORMED THAT FULL PROGRAMMED LEVEL WILL PROBABLY NOT BE ATTAINED BEFORE LATE SPRING.  
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